

Marlow's 30 year dream comes true!

**Marlow 2,
Wycombe Wanderers 1**

A 30-YEARS-OLD dream for Marlow soccer fans became a reality on Tuesday night when a spritely Marlow side—at full strength with Paul Ianson back between the uprights—harried and teased a listless Wycombe Wanderers side to win fairly comfortably.

Wanderers were without John Delaney and Peter Suddaby who stand a good chance of winning English Amateur International caps on Saturday, and included Thomas and

Stephenson from the Squad's backbench.

Marlow, realising they were in with more than a chance if they scored a quick goal, got just what the doctor ordered after only seven minutes. Mick Page raced through and rolled the ball past the advancing John Maskell.

Marlow, thus encouraged, proceeded to rub it in for a spell, but gradually, the power

and mighty strength of the Wycombe side seemed to have telling effect.

Just when it appeared that Marlow were in danger of conceding the vital equaliser, Mike McKeown, the home left-back, floated the ball half the length of the field in the 29th minute and Bobby Marcham was on the right spot to control the ball well and lob it high over Maskell. The ball crept in at the under side of the bar.

With bitter memories of the defeat against St. Albans obviously upsetting Wanderers, they struggled on, but though they made a large number of opportunities, their own ineffectiveness in front of goal let them down. Added to that the Marlow defence was now cock-a-hoop and resolute with the ball running kindly for them.

Only three minutes were left for play when a free-kick awarded to Wanderers was lofted high into the Marlow penalty area and Keith Blunt headed in past Ianson.

This victory was no fluke by Marlow. They sensed their chance early on and played accordingly for the rest of the game. Even though Wycombe were without Delaney and Suddaby, the victory could not by any stretch of imagination be described as a "hollow" one for the Thames-siders.

It must however not be over-assessed from the Wycombe viewpoint.

Marlow: P. Ianson; P. Sewell, M. McKeown; C. Reid, P. Stone, S. Thompson; M. Page, D. Summerling, S. Freeman, R. Marcham, P. Stowell. (Subs.): L. Radmore and G. Youngman.

Wycombe Wanderers: J. Maskell; D. Thomas, J. Lalley; K. Stephenson, V. Faulkner, K. Blunt; G. Anthony, B. Baker, K. Searle, A. Horseman, J. Hutchinson. (Subs.: C. Gale and I. Rundle).